

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend Page 1 of the application by adding the following heading and paragraph immediately after the title:

--CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is the national stage of International Patent Application PCT/EP2003/008475, filed July 31, 2003, which claims the benefit of German Patent Application No. DE 10235602.5, filed August 2, 2002, all of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

Please add the following Abstract. A copy of this abstract is included on a separate sheet attached to this submission.

The invention relates to metal cluster nano-compounds of transition metals, which includes a metal nucleus formed from atoms of at least one transition metal and at least one ligand, and including their physiologically compatible salts, derivatives, isomers, hydrates, metabolites and prodrugs, which are suited for the prophylactic and/or therapeutic (curative) treatment of diseases of the human or animal body, particularly of tumor or cancer diseases. To this end, the inventive compounds can, under physiological conditions, interact with the DNA, preferably B-DNA, of the relevant cells.